AN ACT to renumber and amend 115.31 (1) (c); and to create 115.31 (1) (c) 1.

b., 115.31 (1) (c) 2. and 118.07 (4p) of the statutes; relating to: prohibiting

aiding and abetting sexual abuse.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the state superintendent of public instruction may revoke a license issued by the state superintendent for immoral conduct on the part of a licensee. This bill specifies that it is immoral conduct for a licensee to help a school employee, contractor, or agent obtain a new job if the licensee knows or has reason to believe that the school employee, contractor, or agent has committed a sex offense and the victim was a minor or a pupil. This bill also prohibits a school board, governing body of a private school, and operator of a charter school from helping a school employee, contractor, or agent obtain a new job if the school board, governing body, or operator knows or has reason to believe that the school employee, contractor, or agent has committed a sex offense and the victim was a minor or a pupil.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 115.31 (1) (c) of the statutes is renumbered 115.31 (1) (c) 1. (intro.)

and amended to read:
1. (int.) “Immoral conduct” means conduct or behavior that is
counter to commonly accepted moral or ethical standards and that endangers the
health, safety, welfare, or education of any pupil. “Immoral conduct” includes the all
of the following:

a. The intentional use of an educational agency’s equipment to download, view,
solicit, seek, display, or distribute pornographic material.

SECTION 2. 115.31 (1) (c) 1. b. of the statutes is created to read:

115.31 (1) (c) 1. b. Assisting a school employee, contractor, or agent to obtain
a new job if the individual knows or has a reasonable suspicion to believe that the
school employee, contractor, or agent committed a sex offense, as defined in s. 301.45
(1d) (b), and the victim was a minor or a pupil.

SECTION 3. 115.31 (1) (c) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

115.31 (1) (c) 2. It is not immoral conduct under subd. 1. b. if any of the following
apply:

a. The assistance is the transmittal of administrative and personnel files.

b. The information the individual knows or that is the basis of the individual’s
reasonable suspicion has been properly reported to law enforcement and law
enforcement has closed any resulting case or investigation without a conviction.

SECTION 4. 118.07 (4p) of the statutes is created to read:

118.07 (4p) (a) Except as provided in par. (b), no school board, governing body
of a private school, or operator of a charter school may assist a school employee,
contractor, or agent to obtain a new job if the school board, governing body, or
operator knows or has a reasonable suspicion to believe that the school employee,
contractor, or agent committed a sex offense, as defined in s. 301.45 (1d) (b), and the
victim was a minor or a pupil.
(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply if any of the following apply:

1. The assistance is the transmittal of administrative and personnel files.

2. The information the school board, private school, or charter school knows or that is the basis of the school board, private school, or charter school’s reasonable suspicion has been properly reported to law enforcement and law enforcement has closed any resulting case or investigation without a conviction.